## LIVE WASHINGTON TOPICS.

BECRETARY FOSTER DECLINES REPLY TO MINISTER FOSTER.

Congressian Scott Proposes to Raise 885,000,000 Additional Revenue on Dis-tilled Spirits by Increasing the Tax. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18. Secretary of State Foster, in answer to an inquiry by a reporter to-night, said that he did not think it necessary to make further reply to the interview of the Canadian Minister of Finance, telegraphed from Ottawa. Mr. Blaine made a full report to President Harrison on the results of the reciprocity conference of last February, and this was transmitted to Congress. The Finance Minister, Mr. Foster, also made a report to the Canadian Parliament. If the latter, this late date, deems it proper to add to these reports by a narrative from memory of portions of informal and unrecorded conversations, lasting through long

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Sinte does not regard bimself as called upon to pursue that mode of discussion by counter-statements. He said that the only point which seemed to call for reply related to the negotiations as to the canals, and as the Canadian Government had made that matter the subject of diplomatic correspondence, the Serviery of State deemed it more appropriate to confine his reply to that channel, and not to burden the public press by premature publication. Representative Watson of Georgia said today that the report that he intends to institute a series of individual prosecutions for illegal a series of individual prosecutions for illegal voting and intimidation at the recent Congress election in his district was unfounded and untrue. What he will do, he says is to confest the seat of his opponent, Mr. Black, He is confident that there were gross frauds committed in the city of Augusta, whereby Mr. Black secured a majority, and by means of a contest he expects to create a public sentiment against the methods and practices by which his opponent was declared elected. Mr. Watson has already communicated with the Governor of Georgia, asking him not to leave the commission of election to Mr. Black, and will serve notice of contest on Black in Augusta the coming week.

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immediately after the holidays, request a hearing before the Ways and Means Committee on his bill increasing the internal revenue tax on whiskey. The bill increases the tax on distilled spirits from 60 cents to \$1.25 per gallon. Mr. Scott says that the evident desire of the country is to tax luxuries and, as far as possible, lot necessaries go free. The present tax on whiskey produces about \$10,000,000 annually. The increase proposed in this bill will give almost 40 per cent, more revenue, or a total of about \$125,000,000, from distilled spirits alone. This will partially supply the loss of revenue by the sugar schedule of the McKinley bill.

"This angar juggle," said Mr. Scott, "whereby free raw materials are given to the Sugar Trust and the consumer taxed for refined sugar, costs the Treasury some \$40,000,000,000 of revenue annually. This must be made up, and this could nowhere be done easier on the people than by an increase of the tax on distilled spirits. This proposition does not involve any increase in the expense of collection. It costs no more to collect \$1.25 per gallon, than 20 cents. The Government already has all the revenue machinery for this collection. There would, therefore, be an absolute not increase of about \$35,000,000 annually. This bill might easily pass this session of congress unless the Senate stands in the way of providing any means of relieving the Treasury of the threatened or actual defeit."

Mr. Set talso thinks that large sums may be obtained by similar increase in the tax on other alcoholic products and tobacco.

With the approach of the holidays the atdiminishing, and it is doubtful whether a diminishing, and it is doubtful whether a quorum can be maintained in either House during the few days that remain before the Christmas recess begins. It is therefore improbable that any business that promises to arouse opposition will be undertaken, which negatives the possibility of action on any subject of large popular interest. The Senate will adjourn immediately after the prayer to-morrow, as a mark of respect to the memory of the late Senator Gibson of Louisiana.

#### THE CONDITION OF THE TREASURY. Becretary Foster Criticises an Interview with

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.-Secretary Foster professes to view without alarm the resolution recently adopted by the House of Representatives, providing for an investigation of the fluancial condition of the Government. The Becretary predicts that the investigation will show, among other commendable things, the fact that during the four years of the present Administration not a single dollar of the Government's money has been lost through disconesty on the part of the Federal officials.

recent interview with Chairman Springer on this subject. The interviewer was evidently endeavoring to ascertain the scope of his investigation. Mr. Springer was asked whether fact that the Secretary of the Treasury has used money from the sinking fund to meet the obligations of the Government. Then Mr. Springer, with a seriousness that is truly comiical, is said to have replied that he could not tell, as that is one of the points to be brought out in the investigation. Why, bless his innocent soul, Mr. Springer evidently does not un derstand what the sluking fund is. He seems to be under the impression that the sinking fund consists of so much hard cash, when in fact it is nothing more than a system of bookkeeping or a record of the debts of the Government that have been paid and enneelled. It is not a big stocking full of

enneelles. It is not a big stocking full of money as certain people imagine, but it is simply a statement of the debts that have been paid. Then, again, the interviewer asked Mr. Springer if he suspected that the reserve fund had been drawn upon during the present Administration? With the same seriousness Mr. Springer is said to have replied that he could not tell, but he expected to settle that question during the coming investigation. The monthly statements which have been issued, continued Senator Foster, "show that the reserve fund has remained untouched, and it seems positively amusing that Mr. Springer should know so little about two of the most simple problems in connection with the national finances."

Concerning the modification of the debt statement under the present Administration, it is claimed to be simply a change in the system of bookkeeling. The same officials who have prepared the debt statements under several previous Administrations, including the Cleveland Administration, now perform that service, and Mr. MacLennan, the chief of the warrant division, who is the expert on the debt statement, explains the change thus:

"Instead of setting apart the money representing the bonds which have matured and ware pavable on demand, but were unpaid; the interest, the fractional currency, and minor subsidiary coin, instead of removing it from our cash account, we left it in. By taking it out our balance would be smaller, and by leaving it in our balance would appear larger. It has been the practice during many A dministrations, when the balance would appear larger. It has been the practice during many A dministration, when the balance would include them in our balance to keep those items out. On other occasions, when the balance would appear larger. It has been the practice during many A dministrations, when the balance would round down, we would include them in our balance to accept the cash account, the amount of money they represent is in the Treasury all the time. Only it is presented in a different Souvenir coin."

Secretary Foster says he has no idea how Mr. Springer and his committee propose to conduct their investigation, but he will find the records of the department at his disposal whenever he calls for them.

### THE FINANCIAL SITUATION.

Secretary Foster Not Alarmed Over the Anticipated Large Gold Exports. WASHINGTON, Dec. 18.-Secretary of the limself to a reporter respecting the alarm felt in financial circles over anticipated large gold

exports. He said: 'I look upon the situation not simply as a spectator awaiting retirement from office. I til relieved on the 4th of March next. My dut will be performed in the interest of the public welfare as seriously as if my term was not soon to end. Every resource at my command will be availed of to preserve the parity of gold and silver, as I am commanded by law."

"Hew about the reserve in the Treasury?"

"No one can obtain gold from the Treasury?"

without paying money for it, and with the

money thus received I can recoup the gold. There is also the right vested in the Secretary of the Treasury to sell bonds if necessary to maintain the gold reserve. The Treasury situation as to the cash balance is such as to permit the free use of cash received for gold to again obtain the gold."

"Will the gold reserve be maintained?"

"I will be." This was stated with the utmost emphasis. "I firmly believe that with the resources at the command of the Department I shall not be seriously embarrassed in more than maintaining it. I recommended to Congress in my annual report that the reserve be increased from \$100,000,000 to \$125,000,000."

As the Secretary's report was prepared be.

As the Secretary's report was prepared be-fore the present abnormal export of gold to Europe started. Secretary Foster reasonably claimed credit for fully anticipating the pres-ent pressure and taking all precautions to meet it.

SMASHUP IN MINNESOTA.

A Freight Train Cranben into a Caboone

Eight Men Killed, ALEXANDRIA. Minn., Dec. 18. - A frightful accident occurred on the Great Northern Railroad this morning at Nelson station, five miles east of here, in which eight men were killed and five were seriously injured. There had been a collision on Friday morning at Nelson and a number of cars were wrecked. The wrecking train had been there two days and was making up preparatory to pulling out for the East. About I o'clock this morning the wrecking train caboose was left standing on the main track with a number of cars. An east-bound freight was due about 1 o'clock

cast-bound freight was due about 1 o'clock and had orders to side track for the passenger train due here at 1:20. The fireman on the freight tells the story as follows:

There is a heavy grade west of the station, and as the freight with thirty-six cars, under charge of Conductor William Nickey and Engineer James Maloney, approached the switch steam was shut off and brakes called for. There was no porceptible decrease of speed, and Conductor Nickey climbed out of the caboose, where he was, and began setting brakes, but the speed was too great to stop. When within a train length of the caboose they saw the track was full ahead, and both engineer and fireman jumped. The engine struck the wrecked train, and threw the caboose on top of the next car, setting both on fire. There were fourteen men in the caboose.

One jumped off, five were wounded, three were burned beyond recognition, and four were killed. One other was burned and nothing of his body was found.

The killed are: Nels O. Dokken, Nelson: Christ, and Ole Nattenson, Ossakis; John Engstrand, Spruce Hill; John Akerson, Spruce Hill; Engstrand's nephew, name unknown. The injured are: A. M. Brosen of St. Paul, back and head, serious: Thomas Welch of Boston, Mass., bad scalp cuts, ribs broken: Patrick Hannan of Boston, Mass., shoulder dislocated.

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Mrs. E. M. Whittemore, who founded the Hope, a refuge for fallen women, astonished the inmates and her friends at that institution, in East Sixty-first street, on Friday by walking in among them in apparently sound health. They had been informed only two days before that she was lying so ill at her residence, 723 Park avenue, that her life was despaired of.

Mrs. Whittemore attributes her recovery entirely to prayer and faith in God. On Wednesday evening she was left alone in the room with a nurse, who had occasion to absent herself for a few moments. On her return the nurse begged the patient to take the medicines prescribed for her, but Mrs. Whittemore refused, as she had done throughout her siekness, declaring that she would accept the will of God, whether she lived or died. In a few minutes Mrs. Whittemore said that she would get well, and in proof of her prediction she raised herself to a sitting posture in the bed. On Thursday she walked about the room, and on Friday she went to the Door of Hope. Mrs. Whittemore states that while the nurse was out of the room she fervently invoked God to save her life, and that moment the pains bassed away from her and entirely to prayer and faith in God. On moment the pains passed away from her and she felt her strength coming back to her. No medical tastimony on the subject could be obtained last night. Mrs. Whittemore, it is said, had disease of the kidneys. She says that she was cured of disease of the spine once in answer to prayer.

RUN DOWN AT SEA.

The Lighthouse Tender Iris Sinks Schooner and Rescues Her Crew.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 18 - The schooner Payne of Northport was run down and her crow rescued by the United States lighthouse tender Iris, Capt. Matthews, on Thursday night last. The Iris left here on Thursday night last. The Iris left here on Thursday for a tour of inspection. Off Boone Island the watch reported lights ahead, moving across the steamer's bow. The whistles were blown, but it was too late. The Payne was almost cut in two.

Three of the schooner's crew clambered up the steamer's side, but the Captain Duncan remained by the schooner until she began to sink, when he escaped in a small boat. He was picked up after a long search. The Payne was bound from Boston to Northport with a full general cargo. There was no insurance on

was bound from Boston to Northport with a full general cargo. There was no insurance on the cargo. Capt. Duncan says he mistook the steamer's lights for Cape Porpoise and ran in close to avoid danger. The crew was taken to Hoston, where Capt. Duncan failed to report the accident.

### SHOT WHILE SWEEPING.

The Strange Accident by Which Mrs. Anselmo Claims to Have Lost Her Foot. Mrs. Adelina Anselmo, a tall young Italian woman, was the victim of a peculiar accident yesterday afternoon if the story she tells is frame house at 210 Mott street with her hus-1 o'clock her husband came running into a said that his wife had accidentally shot her-self. A doctor hurried to the house and found the woman lying in bed with her left

found the woman lying in bed with her left foot shattered.

She said that after dinner she started to clean up the house. In a corner of the main room was a carbine kept loaded by the Anselmos for emergencies. As she was sweeping the floor, she says, the broom accidentally touched the gun, which fell to the floor and exploded.

It was found necessary to amputate Ade-

Hanged Himself to a Door Knob. Edward G. Burnett, 44 years old, committed suicide yesterday morning at his home, 388 Summit avenue. Jersey City. He lived there with his wife and four children, the eldest a boy of 17, named Edward. About 6 o'clock Edward heard a shuffling noise in the room where his father slept. He hastened to make an investigation, as the family had been keeping close watch on Burnett for some time, because he had frequently threatened to kill himself. Edward found it difficult to open the door, but he succeeded in pushing it open far enough to let him squeeze through. The boy found his father lying partly on the floor. There was a handkerchief around his neck, with one end of it isstened to the door knob. A doctor was hastily summoned, but he was too late to be of any service.

Burnett was a watchmaker, and was formerly employed in Tilfany's at a liberal salary. Hecently he became dissipated, got out of employment, and trouble at home resulted. Whenever he went on a spree he became despondent and threatened to kill himself. where his father slept. He hastened to make

Fell From a Train and Was Killed. At noon yesterday a west-bound train on the Pennsylvania Railroad was stopped just south of Newark to pick up the body of a welldressed man. It was taken to Waverly station and County Physician Filliott was summoned. In the bockets were found \$25, a lot of bonds, and a Lehigh Valley Railroad pass made out in the name of F. N. Atlees and countersigned by the Pennsylvania Railroad. Fennsylvania Railroad officials ordered the body to Hullifish & Craus's undertaking establishment in Newark. It was said that Mr. Atlees was a yardmaster in Philadelphia and lived in Germantown. He is thought to have fallen from an east-bound train. Death must have been instantaneous, as his head was crushed. dressed man. It was taken to Waverly sta-

It's Not True Again, Mr. Arents Says. WINSTON, N. C., Dec. 18 .- The Southern Tobacco Journal asserts that the American Tobacco Company has absorbed the Lorillard

factories. Mr. George Arents. Treasurer of the American Tebacco Company, looked fired when he saw the above despatch last night.

That report. 'he said.' has been circulated before. Some irresponsible person has misniformed the reporter. I know nothing about such a consolidation, and naturally I would know about it if it were true, as I am an officer of the company."

## GOSSIP ABOUT THE OFFICES.

SENATOR FILAS AND DON DICKINSON GUESTS OF MR. CLEVELAND.

Neither Said to be Stated for the Cabinet-No Seats to Spare in the Senate-Anti-Snapper Names on Office Sockers' Papers. Senator William F. Vilas of Wisconsin was Mr. Cleveland's principal guest yesterday. Mr. Vilas was Mr. Cleveland's first Postmaster-General, and on the promotion of L. Q. C. Lamar from the portfolio of Secretary of the Interior to the United States Supreme Cout bench Mr. Vilas was made Secretary of the Interior and Don Dickinson was appointed

Postmaster-General.
Mr. Dickinson was another visitor at Mr. Cleveland's home yesterday. Mr. Cleveland is a member of the Century Club, and on Saturday evening his two former Cabinet officers were his guests at the club, where Parke Godwin delivered a memorial address on the late

Neither Mr. Vilas nor Mr. Dickinson, from present information, is to be a member of Mr. Cleveland's new Cabinet. They talked with the President electation the sentiment of the Democrats of the Northwest on future legisla-tion at Washington. These Northwestern Democrats agree with their Western and Southern brethren that an extraordinary session of Congress should be called either next September or October.

One of the reasons why Mr. Vilas cannot go into the Cabinet is that he cannot very well be spared from the Senate. Mr. Dickinson, it is understood, contemplates opening a law office in Chirago. Michigan Democrats have been in town since election day telling of the disasters to the Democrats in their State.

A Democratic majority of 17,000 for Gov. Winan two years ago was overturned, and the Republican candidate wins by 10,000. The Democrats were completely routed in Detroit. Mr. Dickinson's home, whereas two years ago they were in control. The hepublican ma-jority in the Legislature is increased by about

they were in control. The Republican majority in the Legislature is increased by about twenty-five.

Some of these Michigan Democrats are inclined to be critical, but I. M. Weston of Grand Rapids, former Chairman of the Democratic State Committee, says that any attempt to fasten the blame on Mr. Dickinson is unjust. Mr. Dickinson is the Democratic leader of the State, but during the recent campaign his duties were here in New York as Chairman of the National Campaign Committee.

Something has been said concerning the possibility that the portfolio of Secretary of the Treasury may be offered to Senator John R. McCherson of New Jarsey. Those familiar with this matter say that Mr. McPherson is scarcely well enough to undertake the duties of such a laterious place, and, besides, prefers to remain in the Senate.

The man most prominently mentioned for Attorney-General in the Cabinet is Senator George Gray of Delaware. Mr. Cleveland regards him as a good lawyer and thinks highly of him. Should Senator Gray be invited to be Attorney-General and accept, the Iriends of Thomas F. Bayard, Secretary of State under Mr. Cleveland's former Administration, would like to see Mr. Bayard, Secretary of State under Mr. Cleveland's former Administration, would like to see Mr. Bayard occupy Mr. Gray's seat in the United States Senate.

Fx. Gov. Isaac Fusey Gray of Indiana has told Democratic friends would like to see him succeed Senator Daniel W. Voorhees, the Tall Sycamore of the Wabash, in the United States Senate, The term of Senator Voorhees expires in 1857.

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Cleveland appoint ex-Gov. Gray Postmaster-General.

Just as gently and delicately as he could put it Ambrose W. Lyman, editor of the Helena (Montana) Independent and Washington correspondent of The Sev at Washington during Mr. Cleveland's Administration from '84 to SS, has intimated to those close to Mr. Cleveland that he is not to be considered an available candidate for private secretary to Mr. Cleveland.

Mr. Cleveland and Mr. Lyman have always been attached to each other, and Col. Daniel S. Lamont said yesterday that Mr. Lyman would make an ideal private secretary. But Mr. Lyman, as editor of the Helena Independent, is getting rich.

The Democrats of the Silver State say that he has a great political future. There are any number of Democrats in the West who believe that Mr. Lyman eventually will sit in the United States Senate.

In the last few days a number of un-country Democrats in the Empire State have been in town looking after Postmasterships. They have scrupulously regarded Mr. Cleveland's injunction not totalk to him about offices until after inauguration day.

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But these Democrats have talked to those very close to Mr. Cleveland, and they learned that possibly it would not do them any harm to secure endorsements from former Superintendent of Insurance Robert A. Maxwell of Batavia. Smith Weed of Plattsburgh, William A. Poucher of Oswego, Judge D. Cady Herrick of Albany, Frederic Coudert and ex-Mayor William K. Grace of New York.

Some of the leading members of the regular organizations say that they do not expect that Mr. Cleveland will appoint "Machine" Democrats to the highest Federal places in New York State, but all hands agree that Mr. Cleveland is to turn out the Republicans and give the places to the Democrats.

The announcement that at the proper time Mr. Cleveland will make it hot for Republicans in office has greatly stirred the echoes in the Custom House. Collector Hendricks has not acted upon the requests to put some of his subordinates under the protection of the Chinese civil service laws.

These subordinates have become rather dishartened over the indifference of the Collector. A score or more clerks have latterly undertaken to get in out of the wet by other methods. Those on the lowest rung of the Chinese civil service ladder are always in danger of removal. If they can secure promotion to higher clerkships they believe that they will be better protected.

Ah Babecck, Secretary of the Local Chinese Board, has just besued the eligible lists for promotions. Collector Hendricks has been besteged by the eligibles to hurry up and promote them, and thus get them further away from the clutches of the Democrats. The Collector deem't seem inclined to hurry much in this matter, either.

FOR AND AGAINST PATTERSON.

An Anti-Patterson Census of the New Re-

This is the way, so anti-Patterson men say, the new Republican County Executive Committee will divide if there is a decided effort made to remove Jacob M. Patterson from the leader-

For Patterson-Healey of the First Assembly district. Eighth, Deane of the Ninth, Henkel of the Twelfth, Greacen of the Fifteenth, Reisenwaber of the Nine teenth. Ten Eyek of the Twenty third ward. Stearns of the Twenty fourth ward, and fitchards of Kingsbridge

Murray of the Third. Biglin of the Four-teenth. Berryman of the Seventeenth, and Wanmaker of the Eighteenth, are classed as doubtful. Two of those voting with the oppo-sition to Patterson would give it a clear ma-jority and the control of the organization.

The Press Club Building and Charity Fund. The subscriptions to the Press Club building fund were extensively increased last week Among the larger amounts were those of Morton, Bliss & Co., J. H. Bates, D. H. King, Jr., for \$1,000 each; Messrs. Bernheimer Schmidt, Conrad Stein, Robert Maclay, J. Stickney, F. M. Schaefer Brewing Company Stiegney, F. M. Schaefer Brewing Company, R. H. McCurdy for \$500 each, and Dr. J. B. Bissell. Nelson Smith, \$100; Hoadly, Lauterbach & Co., \$250; George Ringler & Co., \$250; S. H. Wales, \$200; J. H. Breslin, \$100; F. J. Allen, \$100; A. L. Ashman, \$100; D. W. Hildreth, \$100; A. L. Zelter, \$100; W. F. Devoe, \$200; J. Seaver Page, \$100; S. & F. Uhlmann, \$200; F. Oppenheimer, Jr., \$100; Consumers Brewing Company, \$100; C. G. Wilson, \$100; John Bloodgood, \$250; G. W. Plunkitt, \$100; W. Myers, \$200.

A Sixteen-Year-Old Outlaw.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Dec. 18 .- Albert Sharrard, aged 16, is terrorizing the ranchers near Dungeness. He recently broke into a settler's cabin and carried off two rifles and a quantity of ammunition. Two Deputy Sheriffs. with warrants, were sent to arrest the boy, but he intercepted the officers, covered them with he intercepted the officers, covered them with his rifle and forced them to lay down their arms and turn back, with their hands above their heads. Last week he held up two men and rothed them of their watches and money, Several cabins have also been robbed, and two petty thieves have idned the young highway-man. A systematic effort will be made of the officers to capture the full-fiedged outlaw. The boy has long been a terror to the com-munity.

"Maniton" table water and ginger champagne shipped to all parts of the country.

# A War Veteran

"At Gettysburg my ankle was smashed by a bullet. The wound has caused me great suffering, breaking out in terrible sores at intervals

Physicians made two amputations. At last my blood became poisoned and sores broke out all over my face and body. Hood's Sarsaparilla, and decided to try it. Soon One day I read about

my wife, in dressing my Mr. Hammond. leg, said the wound looked better, and in a body healed, and now, four years later, have never shown any sigh of reappearing." GEO, M. HAMMOND, 210 Magnolia st., Syracuse, N. Y. Hood's Sarsa- Cures

when all other remedies fail.

HOOD'S PILLS are purely regetable, and do not

A RUSSIAN ROMANCE.

A Beautiful Daughter of the Regiment Mar-

Marie Keksholmskala is married, says the Warsaw Journal. On Jan. 12, 1877, the grenadiers of Keksholm, who had taken part in the battle of Karagatch, were passing in a snowstorm through the valley of Toundia en route for Adrianople. The road was strewn with the half-frozen bodies of dead men and horses, over which flocks of ravens were soaring. The last company of the regiment was leaving the valley when the soldiers heard the faint cry of a child. They halted: a searching party was formed, and in a heap of ruins they came upon the dead body of a richly dressed and singularly beautiful Turkish lady. Her features were of the Cir-

of a richly dressed and singularly beautiful Turkish lady. Her features were of the Circassian type, and the portions of her long and crispy hair which were not covered with the snow fluttered in the wind. In her arms she held a baby still alive. The Caprain picked up the little wait, wrapped it carefully in a blanket, kissed it, and handed it to a Lieutenant, with orders to have it carefully placed in one of the warmest wagons and cared for. Company cooks are renowned the world over tor their skill in improvising a meal. The cook of this company was in a flx. He didn't know at first what to give to the baby, but at last, with the aid of the doctor, he got over the difficulty.

At the end of the campaign the staff of the regiment decided to adopt the little or phan, and later on the Empress, who heard the story, had the little one placed in the Alexandre-Marie Institute for Young Ladles, at Warsaw. She graduated with high honors, and on leaving the institute was taken to the home of tien. Panioutine, the former Colonel of the Keksholm regiment, where she became a cherished member of his family, on account of her amiable disposition, her accompishments, and her extreme beauty. In 1829 she was presented to the Empress, who attended to her marriage portion, which was also increased by gifts from the Emperor of Austria, who is an honorary Colonel of her regiment, and by the subscriptions of the officers. The marriage ceremony was performed at Warsaw, and, strange to say, the bridegroom is one of her fathers, an officer in her regiment. The bride received the good wishes of the Governor-General and of Mme. Goarko, The Colonel of the regiment offered a toast to Emperor Francis Joseph of Austria, the honorary Colonel, who honored the feast by the presence of his alde-de-camp, Col. Kepsch. The toast was received the bride with a present from his Emperor, a splendid braceier, a genuine imperial gift. Telegrams from officers and non-commissioned ofleers came from many quarters, and everybody was happy.

#### A DANGEROUS BUT SUCCESSFUL RIDE. Asta on Bleyeles.

From the San Francism Chromicle.

weeks waiting for supplies by Russian post from Siberia.

They were strongly dissuaded at this point and were repeatedly assured that the attempt would cost them their lives. They left, however. In midsummer, knowing no Chinese, and carrying only such supplies of money and clottes as could be strapped to the handle bars of their menines. Their route was by way of trumist to the border of the Gotal Hami. They were twelve days in crossing the descrit, the sand being of the war. At Suchana they struck the western end of the Great Wall, the line of which they followed for nearly 400 miles to Lanchow. From this point they were obliged to strike southeast to Singan in Shensi, whence they have come by way of Fingyan and Taiyuan to Paoting Fu. Continuing to Peking and Therapides to strike southeast to Singan in Shensi, whence they have come by way of Fingyan and Taiyuan to Paoting Fu. Continuing to Peking and Thorapides. The entire distance, with the exception of the shorts/legacrose the Transcasplan descrit, was in their journers across Asia was completed. The entire distance, with the exception of the shorts/legacrose the Transcasplan descrit, was in their journers across Asia was completed. The wave of the statety pattern and cushion-lired, would have held of the statety pattern and cushion-lired, would have held of the train the statety pattern and cushion-lired, would have held of the train time of the control of the land through the statety of the control of the contro

furnished them with officially stamped squares of cloth to hang before the machine handles, bearing the words, Yu if wen sen—travelling scholars—and telling to all and sundry their nationality and destination, somewhat as one fastens a tag upon a child consigned to distant friends.

Their plans for the future include the crossing of Japan, whither they proceed at once via Shanghai, and of South America, or, if the roule is practicable, the southern portion of the United States. It should be said that they are travelling merely for pleasure.

Another Homestend Alleged Polsoning Case PITTSBURGH. Dec. 18 .- Louis Sim. a Hungarian. who worked at the Carnegie Steel Works. at Homestead, during the strike, died at the at Homestead, during the strike, died at the physicians say it is believed he was noisoned. This is the first case of the alleged poisoning reported to the Coroner, and a thorough investigation will be made. Coroner McDowell says he will have a chemical analysis made of the stomach, liver, and kidneys to ascertain if the man died of poison. Sim was 42 years old and was taken to the hospital yesterday.

Two Mexicans Killed by Texas Rangers. San Antonio, Dec. 18.-A despatch received here to-day says that a detachment of Capt. Brooks's company of State liangers yesterday came upon two Mexicans, well armed and equipped, while scouting through Star county. The Mexicans were arrested upon suspicion of being bandits, but were released because they told an apparently straight story. After being released they opened fire upon the rangers, and the latter returned with a volley from their Winchesters, killing both of the Mexicans.

George-Suppose a fellow's best girl gets mad when you sek for a kiss?

Henry-Take it without asking.
George-Suppose she gets mad then?
Henry-Then you've got some other fellow's girl. Not Supposable.

Worth Knowing.

From the New York Weekly.

From Truth. Gushley-Would you think of me if I were ten thousand leagues away?

His Fiancie (from Boston)—As the maximum diameter of the earth is only eight thousand miles, Clarence, your supposition is an impossible one.

Try the Buffalo Special, via New York Central; best evening train for Suffalo and Niegara Falls.—4de.

## THEY WANTED EDUCATION.

THE SURPRISING STORY OF MORRIS

They Are 9 and 7 Years Old Respectively, and They Want to Get Into the Hebrew Asylum-Lost Their Father, They Say,

In the disintegration of the Levine family. Leo, aged 7, and Morris, aged 9, found them-selves at the foot of an elevated station's stairs in Brooklyn. How the disintegration came about Lee and Morris tell most admirably. They tell it in four languages, English, German. French, and Hebrew, and although the

police force of the Adams street station has been examining, cross-examining, and recross-examining them ever since Friday night. they have failed to find either discrepancy of untruth in the boys' stories.

A burly officer on that Friday night heard

voices in a hallway near the Arbuckle build ing. Advancing on tiptos, he applied his ear

to the open space and listened.
"Here, you take this bundle," said a voice. "No, you take it. I'd rather have the small er one," said another voice.

Burglars!" thought the conscientious cop With one hand on his revolver, another on his club, he kicked the door wide open, and the electric light shone full upon-the Levine brothers, preparing to sleep.

"Hey, there, ye little rats, what 'r' doin'?" demanded the officer. Two smiling faces looked up at him, and the

younger boy replied: "We're lost. We're just going to sleep."
"Kim out's that 'n' trot along with me. I'll The boys picked up the bundles of old paper

which they had made up for pillows and marched willingly to the station house. yawning all the way. "Lost, hey!" said the Sergeant "Where ye

"We're from Boston, sir." answered the older of the boys, "Or rather from Lynn, which isn't far from Boston, you know. My name is Morris Levine and my brother is Leo. The lad spoke with such assurance that the

Sergeant laid down his pen and said, "Come up here, boys." They went behind the desk and stood there. hands in pockets, looking at the Sergeant.
"You're great boys," the Sergeant said.

With a bright smile Leo, the younger, answered: "That's what everybody says." The Sergeant looked at them closely. He saw two very small chaps, whose olive comclearly told that they were of Jewish birth. They were dressed alike in dark gray coats and knickerbockers and brown woollen shirts. "If you want to," said Morris, the nine

year-old one, "I'll tell you our whole story, Leo and I have \$3.25 between us, and we'd like to get into the Hebrew Orphan Asylum." "You aren't orphans, are you?" asked the

"Oh. my! no." exclaimed Morris. "I want an education." "So do L" chimed in Leo.

"Go on with your story," said the Sergeant

Well, sir, we went to Boston a month agopapa, mamma, my two sisters, and Leo and L papa, mamma, my two sisters, and Leo and L.
There are six of us, you know. Papa is a
tailor, and he thought he'd do better up there.
"Well, it didn't no at all, and we came down
to New York on the bont. I really couldn't tell
you what bout it was, but we saw the big
bridge over us. We got on the cars, and on
the way down Leo and I lost the family."
"I don't care, though." Leo put in. "They
treated us pretty good, but they didn't give us
education." ducation."
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"What did you do after that?" asked the Sergeant.
"Well, we didn't see the use of crying, because we had \$3.25 in our pockets. So I bought ten evening papers from a boy for six cents and sold them.
"How long did it take you?"
"Oh, only about ten minutes. We're good talkers, you know. [This was said in the most matter-of-fact manner imaginable.] Then we went to Staten Island, but it was too dark there for us." Two St. Louis wheelmen, inexperienced in foreign riding, have done without serious difficulty what Stevens, the expert American recently attempted and falled to accomplishthe crossing of Central Asia on bicycles. The heroes of this exploit are Allen and Sachtleben, who began their long journey on the day after their graduation from college. In a letter to the North China Baily News, written by its Paoting Fu correspondent under date of Oct. 30, the story of the remarkable ride is told as follows:

We were surprised yesterday by the sudden apparition of two American gentlemen travelling on bicycles overland from Tashkend, Russian Transcaspia. Leaving Constantinople last autumn, they proceeded by way of Teheran and Askabad to Merv, Bokhara, and Tashkend, where, by the kindness of the liss ian authorities, they were delayed seven weeks waiting for supplies by Russian post from Siberia.

They were strongly dissuaded at this point from attempting the journey across China, and were repeatedly assured that the attempt would cost them their lives. They left, however. In midsummer, knowing no Chinese, and carrying only such supplies of, money and clothes as could be piled to the course of the case of the list of the such that the attempt would cost them their lives. They left, however. In midsummer, knowing no Chinese, and carrying only such supplies of, money and clothes as could be

German than I do, because—because he's
younger."
And at this queer logic both boys burst into
laughter. At the Sorgeant's request Lee beganto recite "The San Francisco Auctioneer."
and so clever was his mimiery that the Sergeant and half a dozen policemen who stood
around roared with laughter.
"I'm getting awfully sleepy," said Morris.
"Can't we go to bed?"
The Sergeant ordered the doorkeeper to fix
up a couch for the boys.
"We're nuch obliged to you for what you've
done for us, "said Morris with stately courtesy.
The Sergeant was overwholmed. The boys
soon fell asleep, and the Sergeant speat the
night in wondering what kind of boys they
were.
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During the next day Morris and Leo captured the station house. Every policeman
questioned them carefully, and marvelled at
their bright answers, and on their return
from post they brought the boys something to
eat or to play with.
Leo recited "The San Francisco Auctioneer"
at least thirty times, and made nearly a dollar.
These boys are still at the station house
fervently hoping that their parents will not
find them.
They have no other plans for the future than

find them.

They have no other plans for the future than to begin their education as soon as possible. They have taken a fancy to the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, and are very anxious to be sent there. As to how much of their story is true, we work their story of their story is true. you must judge for yourself.

DEFIED THE POSSE.

Mr. Jones Advised His Son Not to Work On the Roads and Now He is Dead.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 18.-Yesterday after oon O. R. Jones was shot and instantly killed, and his son. Jesse Jones, shot mortally in the abdomen, at their home near Leicester, twelve miles west of Asheville. Jesse Jones had been summoned to work upon the public roads of
the county. He refused to do so, under the
advice of his father, who fold him that he
would see that he was not arrested.

O. R. Jones sent James Stevens, the constable of the township, word that he must not
come on his premises to arrest his son. Expecting trouble. Constable Stevens aummoned
a posse, consisting of his father, J. M. Stevens,
a prominent physician, and three other men,
to go with him to arrest Jones. When they
neared the house O. R. Jones, ordered them
away, and when the party came on his premises Jones fired on them, wounding Dr. Stevens
in the hand.

Constable Stevens and the posse returned
the fire, killing O. R. Jones, the ball entering
his back. Jesse Jones was shot in the abdomen. Twenty shots were fired altogether. summoned to work upon the public roads of

A Girl Fires the Unloaded Pistol This Time KITTANNING, Pa., Dec. 18.-Miss Celia Boyd aged 19, this morning accidentally shot her aunt, Mrs. Philip Boyd, through her brain with a revolver which she snapped, not knowwith a revolver which she snapped, not knowing it was loaded. The girl ran for a doctor, but he could do nothing, and the woman died in twenty minutes. Although there is no evidence that the shooting was other than purely accidental, the frightened girl was arrested and taken before Squire Simpson, who committed her to jail for a hearing to-morrow morning. A son of Mrs. Boyd was showing the revolver to the girl, who took and snapped it several times before it was discharged.

Mave You Attended the Bargain Sale in furniture at Fint's, 16th st. and 6th av.1—40,

Develers.

WILL KEEDTHEIR ESTABLISHMENT OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL (HRISTMAS.

NATIONAL GUARD NOTES.

How the Regiments Turned Out at Bullalo-Other News of the Armories,

The percentage of attendance of the different organ-izations of the National suard of New York called into active service at Buffale during the railroad strike last summer is now attainable from official sources, and is as follows, the regimental expanizations being arranged in order of merit: Sixty-fifth Regiment, Col. Welch, 95.12; Tenth Battaiton, Lieut-Col. Fifth, 92.78; Twenty-second Regiment, Col. Camp, 92-42; Seventy-fourth Regiment, Col. Fox, 91.71; Thirteenth Regiment, Col. Austen, 91-69; Twenty-third Regiment, Col. Partridge, 91.32; Seventy-first Regiment, Col. Greens, 89.53; Tweifth Regiment, Col. Dowd, 87,56; Ninth Regiment, Col. Seward, 86,15; Troop A, Capt. Roe, 93,27; Signal Corps. First Brigade, Capt. Gallup, D1,66; Fifth Battery, Capt. Auer, 82,96; Separate Companies, 93,00. The number of officers and men present, with aggregate strength and percentage of attendance in each brigade.

Friend,
Fourth, Gen. Doyla. . . . 1,668
Fourth, Gen. Oliver . . 1,568
Recond, Uen. McLeer . . 1,410
First, Gen. Fitzgerald . 2,337

ought it worth while to give some data relating to those commands ordered to hold themselves in readi ness for orders at their armories. The commands in question, while not at the scene of disorder, were awaitng anxiously the order to march, and many officers and men are decidedly of opinion that the "Home Guard" are worthy of some mention.

Col. James Cavanagh, Sixty-ninth Regiment, will issue in a few days an order establishing a school of instruction for non-commissioned officers. The Colonel realizes that the new drill is founded upon the squad realizes that the new drill is founded upon the squad system, and, as these squads are in charge of the corporals, it is very necessary that they should be well up in their duties. Formerly the corporal had little or nothing to do, and did not have the present op-portunity to show his ability. Under the new system; this is all changed, and the corporal must be well up in the drill and requirements of the agryes. Schools for this is all changed, and the corporal must be well up in the drill and requirements of the service. Schools for the "non-coms," in consequence, are of great impor-tance. Col. Cavanagh will detail several of his most accomplished officers as instructors, and later the corporals will be put in charge of squads of men, in order that their knowledge may be exemplified.

The turn out for drill in many companies of the Pirst and Second brigades is very poor and in some cases the drills are not of that standard which delights the true military eye. To ascertain the reason for this lack of interest and with a view to find a remedy therefor, tol. William J. Harding, Assistant Inspector General, is making a round of the several armories. Major R. W. Leonard and Lieut, McCoskry Butt of the

money toward having the regiment represented at the inauguration of President Cieveland at Washington en March 4. Company B. Capt. Bieceker S. Barnarg, is considering the project of going to Washington on the above date, and if it decides to do so will win the Company I, Twenty-second Regiment, has presented

to its Captain, Hemer Bostwick, a gold-mounted regu-lation sword. The company is recruiting with a most desirable class of young men, and if the State authori-ties would only see that it was furnished with the needed outfit without delay it would greatly help matters. The men of the company cannot see why there should be any delay in the matter of getting equipments, and as a newly organized body, feel that their progress is being hampered instead of helped.

out of place as a Commissary of Subsistence, they are, nevertheless, of very decided opinion that he would fit the office of Lieutenant-Colonel exactly. Those who assumed that Mr. Butt had given up the drill regulations for the cook book were very much mistaken. Col. Dowd, however, was not one of these, for desir-ing to know how the companies of bis regiment were progressing in drill, and what variations, if any, exsted, he detailed Lieut, Butt to watch the company drills in the regiment and report upon the shortcomings of each. The following are the variations from the drill regulations noted in the different companies by Mr. Butt, and the Colonel has called the attention of each Captain to them, in order that the necessary corrections may be made: "Companies should be formed by par, 187 or 188 and not by par. 186. Open ranks, (par. 190) should. The common error, to which for several years attention has been called, still exists, that the pivot man in all wheels by fours, halts and turns in his execute the half face, and move each man in a straight line. Par. 207, rear rank of sets of fours should cl and men as to these sections. Instruction in them i given in a rareless and perfunctory manner. The private opinion of an officer as to the necessity of their close observance does not give the proper rule of conduct in reference to them. Errors most frequently noticed in executing firings: Neglect to give object and range and to have sights arranged; tendency to have finger on trigger when at 'ready'; ignorance of existence and the safety match. In only one company did the rear rank men step off in loadings and firings, as prescribed. Extended order-Too much talking and noise, no enough dependence on signals. Par. 515 entirely neg-lected; par. 516 not understood; par. 520 not carried out; officers apparently ignorant of it. Firings im properly executed. Para. 559, 560, and 572 executed in a very slovenly manner. General faults and in-structions—Too many men in line of file closers; men babitually or frequently late should be returned to the delinquency court; uniformity in the matter of collars must be established and men must present themselves blacked, and, if necessary, the leather beit blacked Names of all officers absent must be returned to the adjutant after each drill." It is not alone in the Twelfth that these desicioncles exist, for the same faults are observable generally, with but few excepdvantage by many.

No Trouble to Replace Them. From Browning, King 4- Ca.'s Monthly. She And so you broke every one of the good resolutions you made a year ago?
He Yes, but I can make more just as good next month.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Sixty six excise arrests yesterday A. B. Hepburn, Comptroller of the Currency, is at the Park Areius Hotel.

John Nelson, a Danish sailor on the British ship Creadmore, which arrived yeasteday from Baina, tell from the fore yard into the sea while furning sail in a gale on Wednesday leat and was lost.

Bishop McDonnell of Brooklyn will administer the rise of confirmation to ninety colored persons in the Church of St. Bensellet the Moor at 11 colored this morning. Left of the candidates are from St. Menedict's Hollows of the candidates are from St. Menedict's Hollows of the candidates are from St. Menedict's Hollows of the colored to the form the street of the following officers. Commander, tearry if Moore, Bentor Vice-Commander, Frances Legislam, king and Milliam Europeon, Frances Itarison, Quartermater, William Italian, Surgeon, Frances Itarison, Quartermater, William Italian, William Europeon, Hollows Italian, Committee, William A. Heaton; Alternate, Januel S. Heother, William A. Heaton; Alternate, Januel S. Heother, William A. Heaton; Alternate, William A. Heaton; Alternate, E. S. Spooner, John H. Morris will be appointed Adjustan, Benjamin Sylvester Respeaning, William Kewman Quartermater-Sergean, T. L. Many William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester Respeaning, Walter, William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester Respeaning, Walter, William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester Respeaning, Mayer, William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester Respeaning, Walternate, Mayer, William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester Respeaning, Mayer, William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester, Respeaning, Mayer, William Legisland, Benjamin Sylvester, Respeaning, Mayer, A. B. Heplurn, Comptroller of the Currency, is at the Park Avenue Hotel.

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WHISKEY AND BEER IN THE PULPIT

A Sensational Prencher Exhibits It and Says It Was Bought on Sunday, RINGSTON, Dec. 18.—Less than a year ago the Rev. C. R. Storey became pastor of the First Baptist Church of this city; to-day he is the talk of the town. Prior to his coming the congregation was a small one, and Sunday evenings found the majority of the pews vacant. Now an audience of a thousand or more is present every Sunday evening, and a policeman is detailed to preserve order. The church, instead of being a staid and old-fashioned one where the Gospel was expounded to the Amens of the deacons and regular attendants, has been transformed into a sort of Hippodrome. where hundreds of the members of other

churches assemble with the expectation of being amused. This wonderful change has been brought about by a series of pulpit discourses begun about four weeks ago. The first of the series, entitled, "The Working Women of Kingston." was of a mild character. Pastor Storey next went for the young men of this city, and openly attacked several well-known resorts, including the Kingston Club, whose handsome club house is on one of the leading thorough fares. The club was organized about six months ago, and has a membership of over a hundred, including the leading professional,

hundred, including the leading professional, ilterary, and business men of this old town. Pastor Storey, next paid his attention to the aristocracy of Kingston, and made an unwarranted attack upon the "Paughters of the Revolution," charging that some who lay claim to having thus shood in their veins were descendants of Tories. This aroused a just feeling of indignation, and harsh criticisms of the pastor's sensational sermone were heard upon all sides. But his audiences grew larger instead of smaller, and long before the hour for the evening services to begin there was hardly standing room in the ediline.

The climax was reached last Sunday evening, when Pastor Storey had for his theme, "The Sulcons of Kingston." After stating the The climax was reached last Sunday evening, when Pastor Storey had for his thems, "The Saloons of Kingston." After stating the number of places licensed to sell intexicating drinks and reading from the statute books the law in relation to the granting of licenses, he said he had positive evidence that the law was being openly violated by druggists, hotels, and saloons, and, as proof of his statements, he produced from his satchel several bottles filled with liquor and beer, one of which was obtained over the bar of a prominent hotel that same Sunday afternoon. Some places, he said, are not even licensed, and he again referred to the Kingston tlub, where, he said, liquor was being sold to the cream of society without a license. He then denounced Dr. David Kennedy, the present Mayor of the city. Chief of Polica Hood, and the Board of Exclse for permitting these violations of the law and disregarding their oaths.

"How can it be otherwise," he said, "when these men are dependent upon the saloons for the positions they now hold? One of the Exclse Commissioners depends largely for his livelihood upon the saloons, and I myself saw him reeling through the streats only a few days ago."

As Mr. Storey has publicly declared that he

him reeling through the streets only a few days ago.

As Mr. Storey has publicly declared that he has in his possession positive proof of violations of the law, the authorities will eith him to appear before them and produce the same, in order that prosecutions may follow. It is also the intention of the District Attorney to summon Pastor Storey before the next trand Jury to confirm the charges he has made.

Pastor Storey is a married man, about 35 years of age, and prior to his coming here was located at Syracuse. He is an Irishman by birth, and retains some of the Freque. Although not a brilliant speaker, he does not lack for words, and finds no difficulty in keeping up a flow of speech without notes.

A Mountain Lion in the Suburbs of Spokane SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 18. The inhabitants of the suburbs of Spokane are living in terr r of a wild beast. A huge mountain it n which

lurks near the town, is making nightly derre dations in its vicinity.

It was first seen on Wednesday higher by James Hall, and was attached by him dogs, three of which it killed. On Thursday night the lion killed two horses owned for a Mr. Genown.

Yesterday at dusk it pursued two girls a distance of forty reis, but they escaped by rushing in terrified has easted an isolated grocery. A large rarty of hunters has started out to kill the hore.

SPARKS TROM THE TELEGRAPH.

The Rev. Dr. J. W. Bonald, successor of Blahop Phillips Brooks in frinity charge, Boaton, preached his first sermed in his law charge yesterday. The grew of the British schooner James Wotherspania, Child Jisting, which saided from this port for first limited No. 12 and was wrecked at Courtown feel, of Said Allipas, has arrived at Colon, as well of said All frat, has afficed a cooling as a con-first sericant Lioyd Troup A. Seconds (as a cooling matted succide on saturday at Fort Lie 1), and the housed in the head with a revolve. He can be in-tropy in the battle of Wounded Aires, and reserved painting wound, since then he had been in just made and was despondent.

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